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SUBJECT: HIGH LEVEL ECONOMIC TALKS IN LAGOS

REF: EASUM/SMITH TELECON OCTOBER 29

1. AS FOLLOW-UP TO TELECON WE HAVE EXAMINED POSSIBILITIES OF
ADVANCING DATE FOR TALKS AS WOULD BE NECESSARY IF DICK COOPER
WERE TO CHAIR US SIDE. EMBASSY RECOMMENDS THAT WE ADHERE TO
NOV. 8-9 SCHEDULE PROPOSED BY FMG.

2. WHAT IS DEEMED IMPORTANT BY NIGERIAN OFFICIALS ARE
(A) ADEQUATE TIME FOR BOTH SIDES TO DO NECESSARY STAFF WORK AND
(B) SUFFICIENTLY BROAD REPRESENTATION (MEA SUGGESTS SEVEN
REPRESENTATIVES) CAPABLE OF TREATING VARIED SUBJECTS WITH
THOROUGHNESS. AFOLABI HAS REITERATED THAT NOV. 8-9 BEST POSSIBLE
TIME AND THAT EARLIER SCHEDULING WOULD BE UNWISE. ON RECEIPT
OF DEPTTEL INFORMING US OF UNAVAILABILITY OF UNDERSECRETARY
NOV. 8-9 WE INFORMED AFOLABI; HE FOUND THIS NO PROBLEM AND
STATED THAT HE HAD MENTIONED COOPER BECAUSE HE KNEW NAME FROM
PREVIOUS VISIT. MEA HAS FURTHER EMPHASIZED THAT ALL PERTINENT
ISSUES BE HANDLED DURING GROUP'S VISIT AND NOT BY EXPERTS COMING
ON SEPARATE DATES. WE SEE MERIT TO THIS IN VIEW FACT THAT MOST
ISSUES ON OUR AGENDA REQUIRE MULTI-DISCIPLINARY CONSIDERATION ON
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NIGERIAN SIDE THAT IS USUALLY MOST DIFFICULT TO ACHIEVE.

3. RESIDENT US COMPANIES SUCH AS MOBIL, 3-MS AND PFIZER ARE
CONTRIBUTING WORKING PAPERS FOR POSSIBLE INCORPORATION IN TALKS
AND ARE SCHEDULED TO PRESENT THEM TO EMBASSY ON NOV. 1. WE WOULD
LIKE SUPPLEMENT DEPT'S BRIEFING PAPERS WITH APPROPRIATE POINTS
FROM THESE MATERIALS AND WITH OUR OWN INPUT. THEREFORE LOOK

FORWARD YOUR CABLING US YOUR DRAFT TALKING PAPERS OR THEIR
CENTRAL ELEMENTS ASAP.
EASUM

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